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## Teamsters picket on Highway 71

By BURTON TAYLOR  
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Local 460 of the Teamsters, a truck-driving union, are picketing at the entrance of Illinois Valley Paving's site on U.S. Highway 71.

Illinois Valley Paving was contracted to pave the first and most southern portion of the highway by the Missouri Department of Transportation.

However, when the company hired non-union truck drivers the union began to worry, Local 460 president Cairo Potts said.

"What happened was any of the Teamsters that showed up for work they turned away simply because they were Teamsters," Potts said.

In reaction to not being hired, Local 460 has filed charges against Illinois Valley Paving with the National Labor Board. Potts said he expects to be heard by the board in the next few days.

"This is (the Teamsters') jurisdiction and they have a right to the work," Potts said. "And we have no idea why they wouldn't want qualified work."

Potts said he hopes to see other workers contracted by Illinois Valley Paving to stand by the Teamsters in their strike enough to prove their point in the matter.

Jerry Goins, Illinois Valley Paving superintendent, chose not to comment about the company's involvement with the Teamsters.

Harold Erickson, a Teamster truck driver, said the current drivers aren't as qualified as those who work for the union. He said two signs of this are the fact that at least one accident has already occurred in the construction zone and that there are no flagmen signaling traffic at the truck entrance.

"The contractor should have signed a contract with the Teamsters, that way they'd have qualified help," Erickson said.

MoDot Resident Engineer Larry Jacobsen said the accident, which took place in the beginning of the construction process, was handled properly and precautions have since been taken as a prevention measure.

"What we had planned was to reduce the speed out there," Jacobsen said. "The only thing we're concerned with is the safety of the traveling public."

Jacobsen said the speed will soon be reduced to 45 mph, once the construction calls for the change.

He said the use of flagmen is not required by the state of Missouri, which



Steve Martinez, member of Local 460 of the Teamsters union, pickets at the truck entrance on U.S. Highway 71. He and other members of the union are opposed to the fact that Illinois Valley Paving, which was contracted for the project, did not hire Teamster truck drivers.

is why they have not been placed on the roadway.

"Most companies do use that as an option but it's up to the individual contractor's discretion," Jacobsen said.

Jacobsen said the reason the Teamsters were not hired was not because they were any more or less qualified, it had only to do with the choice of Illinois Valley Paving.

He said when the project was in the

planning stages, the unions and state came to a conclusion of what a fair wage would be for employees such as truck drivers. Other than having to pay that certain wage, there is nothing else the state can do.

"The only thing we look at as far as the state goes is we have wage rates that we have to follow and those wages are usually set with those unions," Jacobsen said.

## Senators request residents' input on local issues

*Listening post offers people chance to comment on state government*

By BURTON TAYLOR  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Senators Christopher "Kit" Bond and John Ashcroft sent representatives to Maryville to play host to a listening post, offering residents an opportunity to voice concerns.

Representative Craig Robinette, a former Northwest student, and Nancy Wagner, Bond's district office director, met at the Nodaway County Court House Wednesday morning.

Robinette said the listening post is unique in that it is a more personal way to hear the concerns of the senators' constituents.

"It's an opportunity for them to express what they feel and let them feel like they have more of a voice," Robinette said.

Senator Bond has been involved with the listening posts since the beginning of his first term 14 years ago and said not only do they listen to the voice of the public, but also help the residents understand issues of government.

"My staff and I act as a guide through the governmental maze," Bond said. "We've helped thousands of Missourians through our Missouri listening posts, and through our office for constituent services."

Wagner said the post acts as a voice between the residents of the community and the Jefferson City offices of the senators and Washington DC.

"If it is a case-work issue then we will direct their problem to the Jefferson City office," she said. "If it has to do with legislation the issue goes to DC."

Wagner said she and Robinette travel to about three to four counties at a time and hear opinions and concerns about a wide variety of subjects but no matter what the problem, small or large, they always receive attention.

"We just want to make the senators accessible to the constituents," she said. "They aren't always able to drive to Kansas City, so we try and come to them."

The idea of a listening post is not well known with all senators but Wagner said, because of the effectiveness, they are becoming more popular.

"Not every senator has this program but we have been contacted by other state senators who want to learn about it," Wagner said.

While in town, Wagner and Robinette visited with the Nodaway County commissioners, Maryville Chamber of Commerce and Access 2000.

Wagner said, although not on a schedule, the representatives usually come to Maryville every couple months.

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KRAIG ROBINETTE

LISTENING FORUM REPRESENTATIVE

## A celebration of the flag



Bob Allen from American Legion Post 100 and VFW Post 442 stands at attention while listening to Jeremy Cobb, the Leading Knight and Missouri National Guard give his keynote address on Flag Day at Mozingo Lake on Wednesday. Also as a part of the celebration of Flag Day, the Elk Lodge provided a service of disposal of flags that no longer benefitted being on display.

## 'Legend' to retire from Alumni Foundation, University

By KERRI COFFMAN  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

After 30 years of serving Northwest, Chuck Veatch will retire from his duties at the Alumni Foundation in June.

Veatch has held jobs that have touched all aspects of campus. He came to Northwest in 1970 as a residence hall director, he was then selected as director of admissions, then assistant to President B.D. Owens and is leaving the University after 15 years as vice president of institutional advancement.

He said he will miss the memorable experiences and relationships with the

staff the most.

His employees credit him as not only being a boss but as also being a friend.

"Veatch is one of the best bosses I've ever worked for," said Lonelle Rathje, assistant director for the annual fund. "He has the ability to talk to you and listen as an equal. To find that is impossible in my opinion."

Co-workers acknowledge that he has done a tremendous job with the advancement program, the policies and the people he has hired have contributed to its success.

"When I first came into my position

he took a chance and allowed me to learn and grow, I couldn't ask for a better leader or friend," said Mike Johnson, director of alumni relations. "He likes to get to know what makes employees tick and this forces them to want to work harder."

When he worked as director of admissions he had the challenge of increasing enrollment. He was given much credit for doing so because of the little funding he received to do the job.

"He was considered a legend in 1979 because of the record enrollment figures," Rathje said.

Veatch has left a lasting impression on his peers throughout the years.

"I feel fortunate that I have had the opportunity to have worked for Veatch, he has that style, personal touch and caring for people that is shown through the quality of his work," Johnson said.

After Veatch retires he and his wife Pam have no immediate plans. However, the two want to visit their son Chip, who is a U.S. Border Patrol Agent in Arizona.

"Veatch has taught me a lot about life and how to treat other people, he is an incredibly thoughtful guy and he will be dearly missed," Rathje said.

## Fraternity seeks house expansion

*Residents opposed to renovation of Phi Sigma Kappa residence*

By JOSH FLAHARTY  
COPY EDITOR

The Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity is meeting resistance to the proposed expansion of its house.

The subject was the main topic of discussion at the city council meeting Monday night. The council chamber was full for the discussion.

Bill McIntosh, representative of the Phi Sigma Kappa Alumni Association which owns the house, said the association is attempting to raise \$300,000 to \$400,000 for the project.

The project was initiated by the city, McIntosh said. Currently, between 20 and 34 men live in the attic of the house, which does not meet city fire codes.

The expansion would be primarily to the east and would move live quarters from the attic to the new section of the house, thereby limiting the number of occupants to 24.

"We are trying to approach this in a non-adversarial way," McIntosh said. "We are trying to work with the city to do this."

However, residents of the neighborhood near the house are opposed to the project.

Doug Thomson has lived in the neighborhood for five and a half years and spoke on behalf of a group of residents that is against the expansion. He voiced concerns about increased traffic, noise levels, the safety of the neighborhood's children and property values for the surrounding houses.

"We bought (our houses) knowing that there was a fraternity house up there, but we bought expecting the status quo. Our house is our biggest investment. This is not an exclusive neighborhood. Everyone that lives here sees their house as their biggest investment and we're asking you (the council) to protect it."

DOUG THOMSON  
MARYVILLE RESIDENT

Neighbors were also concerned that the addition will take away the appearance of a single-family house.

"The house that's there now melds in with the neighborhood," Thomson said.

The fraternity has been able to live in the house since the early 1950s because of a Special Use Permit. McIntosh said if the council votes against the project, it could not continue to exist as a fraternity house.

Kelly Tobin, Phi Sig Alumni representative and a lawyer with experience in property transfers, said the house acts as a buffer between the neighborhood and the University.

Several years ago, the University tried to have the house condemned to make room for a parking lot. At the time, neighbors wrote letters in support of the fraternity, Tobin said.

"They're wanting to be a part of the neighborhood," Tobin said. "They are not trying to be isolated and do not want to be isolated."

Laura Thomson said the neighbors are not anti-Phi Sig, they are just against the expansion project.

"I have to represent the city and I did not see one neighbor in support of this," Councilman Mike Thompson said.

## The Palms opens under new owner

By AMY RANDOLPH  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Palms bar has re-opened under new management after being bought by Northwest Alumnus Paul Thompson. The bar, which re-opened June 3, has been completely rearranged and has expanded.

Thompson received a finance degree from Northwest and is also an alumnus of Sigma Tau fraternity. Thompson bought The Palms after it was repossessed and said he has spent over \$3,000 on renovations.

There are two new pool tables and a new dart board. The juke box has been updated with new CDs. There were many bug problems at The Palms formerly and Thompson said he has taken care of that problem.

All of the bathrooms have been completely remodeled. The speakers, including those outside the bar, have been replaced. Thompson is looking into hiring out of town disc jockeys to play upcoming events.

The kitchen has been cleaned and lunch and dinner are available until 7 p.m.

The menu includes hamburgers, cheeseburgers, fish and shrimp baskets and chicken and tenderloin sandwiches. The Palms is also now featuring new specialized drinks on its menu.

The Palms still has its beer garden "that is great for the summertime," Thompson said. He has added many nightly drink specials such as ladies night on Thursday and happy hour everyday from 3 to 7 p.m. On Thursday and Friday afternoons The Palms will have themed happy hours.

Eleven part-time employees have been hired, Thompson said.

A former and present bartender, Sarah Midget, said "I wouldn't have come back if I wouldn't have had enough confidence that (Thompson) was going to take a good bar and make it even better."

The crowds have been pretty steady so far. With great food and drink specials to offer the community.

"The Palms is better than it used to be including the service, food and the whole atmosphere," Thompson said. "It's a renovated tradition."

# Summer trips taking flight

By JIMMY MYERS  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Summertime to most people is synonymous with vacation. Students might associate summer with summer school, but there are things one can do to make summer more "normal."

Skimming through "Day Trips" by Shifra Stein, one can find many interesting trips that are easy on the pocket book and on the homework schedule.

Squaw Creek National Wildlife Refuge is a short drive south of Maryville. It features 7,000 acres of marshland that is home to a variety of animals including bald eagles. One could spend the night just five miles down the road at Big Lake State Park. The park features cabins and motel rooms situated around Big Lake.

Weston, Mo., approximately 80 miles south of Maryville, has two bed and breakfast establishments in the heart of town. One may enjoy a tour of McCormick's distillery, or tour the Weston museum that has displays covering Weston from prehistoric times to the World War II era.

Going to St. Louis to catch a ball game or a tour of the Budweiser

brewery is not too time-consuming but may be expensive.

"With gas prices on the rise, air travel has gone up as well," Cotter Travel agent Cathy Barr said. "Going by train is more expensive but it would be a nice change of pace."

Flights to Chicago have been notoriously inexpensive in recent years but they, too, are a little higher cost.

"It's approximately \$130 for flights to Chicago right now," Barr said. "It's not a bad idea though, you can see a game, go to the museums, theater, shopping."

So where is everybody going this summer?

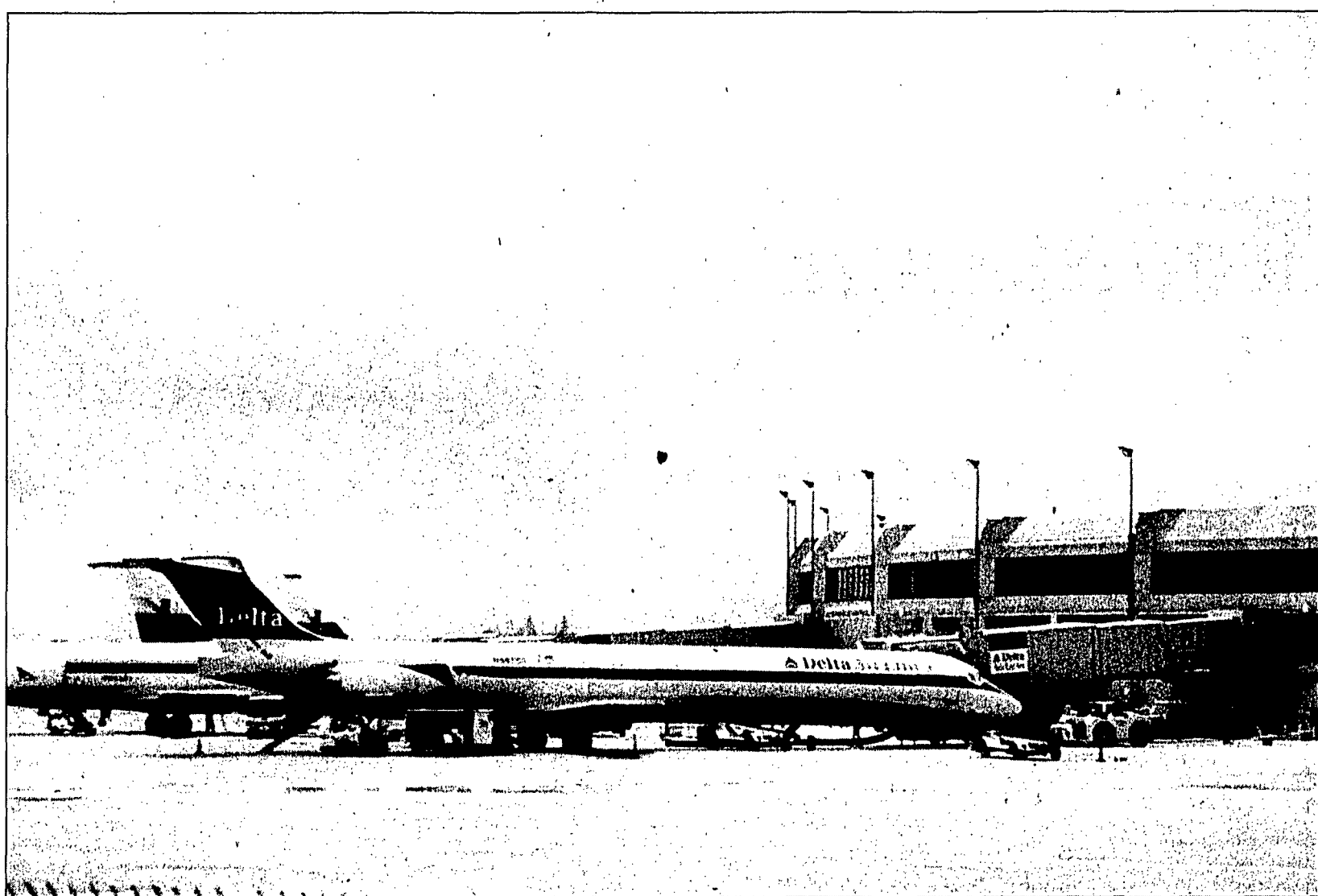
"The students usually just take care of themselves," Maryville Travel agent Joan Apple said. "Disney World, Minneapolis, and Caribbean cruises are the most popular destinations for families this summer."

Maryville Travel agent Karen Pfost said the Internet hasn't really affected business.

"It gives our clients a better idea of what they want," Pfost said.

However, she said booking your own flights does have its drawbacks.

"There is nobody to turn to when things go wrong," Apple said.



Delta airlines, along with many others at Kansas City International Airport, transport travelers from place to place everyday of the year. However, in the next three months the airlines will admit a large portion of their vacationers due to the summer weather. Maryville's travel agencies have information on prices of traveling.

BURTON TAYLOR/EDITOR IN CHIEF

# Online classes prove to be successful

By BLAKE DREHLE  
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Since their introduction in the spring of 1999, Northwest online courses are continuing to grow in the number of classes being offered and enrollment of students.

When the online program was first introduced in 1999 four classes were offered and only 50 students enrolled for the courses.

"When we first started the numbers weren't very good because of the availability of classes and the cost to enroll for these classes," said Roger Von Holzen, director of the Center for Information Technology in Education. "But as we have gotten more experience in running more classes, things have gotten better."

The number of courses and attendance has increased over the year with 10 courses being offered and 250 students enrolled.

"As students have heard about the advantages in taking online courses, it gives them more flexibility in their schedule to do more things than going to class," Von Holzen said.

Von Holzen said with enrollment numbers increasing each semester, five more courses will be added in the fall.

The majority of classes are general elective classes which include history, philosophy, business courses and introduction to computers.

Earth science and a business course will be added in the fall and finite math will be included in the spring of 2001.

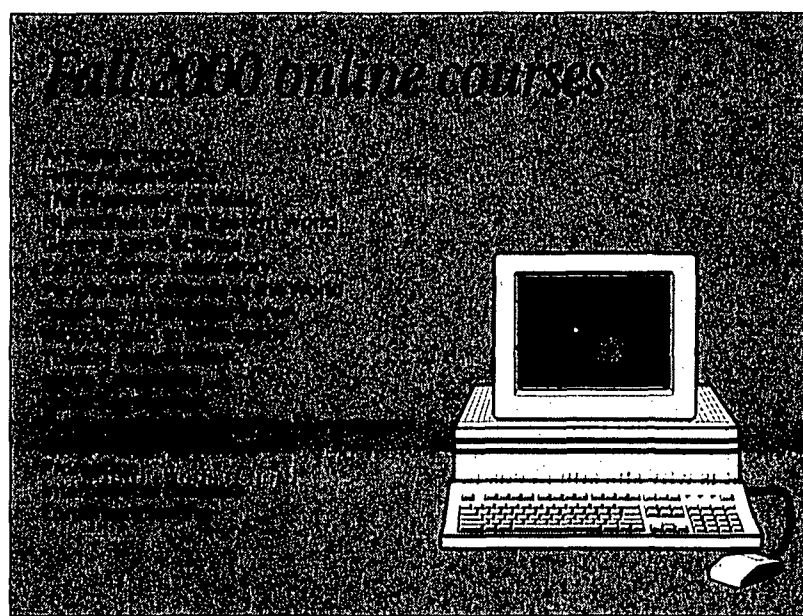
With more classes being added, Northwest is introducing this project to businesses as a way for employees to take courses without having to commute to a campus.

"We are going to send out information to businesses to see if there is any interest for them to do this with their employees because it is a good way for employees to work and take classes online to save time," Von Holzen said.

If the response is positive from businesses, Von Holzen said the University would then introduce the online program to high schools.

Not only are the online courses in high demand with students, but faculty are using this as an advantage to give them more free time, Provost Tim Gilmour said.

"Over half of our faculty now have some aspect of one or more their courses on course info (online) and a lot have really embraced it," Gilmour said.



BURTON TAYLOR/EDITOR IN CHIEF

# County fair in making

By AMY RANDOLPH  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Nodaway County Fair and Carnival is fast approaching and last-minute details are being put together.

For more than 20 years Nodaway County has put on a fair and carnival for the community. A committee of approximately 18 members began meeting a month after last year's fair to make preparations for the upcoming event.

The committee is made up of individuals from the community that are trying to get the citizens of Northwest Missouri together and involved. The committee met once a month until March when it began meeting every two weeks.

The budget for the event is over \$23,000. The committee gets no funding from the county. More than 30 local businesses have offered contributions to get this event together. Some of the primary contributors include First Bank, Hy-Vee, St. Francis, Looks, Northwest Chiropractic, Northwest Missouri State University, KNIM and the Daily Forum.

"The Nodaway Fair is made up of community minded people that get together and form this fair," said Dr. Vince Shelby, chairman of the Concessions and Fair Board. "We use 'Nodaway County' for the name only. We do not receive funding from them."

Finalizing plans and fine tuning the problems that have arisen are being done now, Shelby said.

Contracts for vendors and suppliers that want to be a part of the festivities are now coming in to be approved by the concessions committee.

The fair has a link from www.MSC.net on the Internet and can be accessed for more information.

# Sergel juggles positions

By AMY RANDOLPH  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

A new director of Freshman Seminar has been appointed following the resignation of Greg Roper this spring.

Al Sergel accepted the position on May 12. Sergel currently serves as director of band.

Sergel is collecting information to prepare for the fall schedule. Training of peer advisors and the staff members for 70 sections of Freshman Seminar and getting together a handbook are his top priorities right now, he said.

"I am extremely fortunate to have Dixie McGary there to guide me along the right path," Sergel said. "She has made my job so far really easy."

Sergel is the assistant director of instrumental and vocal summer camp that is conducted for three weeks during June on the Northwest campus.

Sergel said he was in a position similar to this one last spring semester so he is used to balancing

his time outside of the Fine Arts Building.

In addition to trying to prepare the staff and faculty for the upcoming fall semester, Sergel is in charge of two more camps this summer, the dance and the marching camp.

"I am really excited," McGary, freshmen seminar secretary, said. "Sergel has a very clear direction and knows the pulse of the faculty and students. I am excited to work with him."

Sergel accepted the position to try to improve the freshman seminar program. In the early stages of his job Sergel is trying to oversee and assess the program and what needs to be worked on.

"It's just real stressful this month with everything that is going on but it is something I can't handle," Sergel said.

Sergel said that music is his passion and is fortunate to have the job because he enjoys it so much.

"I believe in the program and I am excited in that sense to work in a broader context," he said.

# Alcohol arrests rise on college campuses

By MARICARMEN RIVERA  
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(U-WIRE) BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — In liquor-law violations, Indiana University ranked 29 among 480 four-year colleges around the nation, according to a survey published June 9 by The Chronicle of Higher Education.

At the University, arrests for liquor-law violations went from 145 in 1997 to 208 in 1998, a 44 percent increase. The number of arrests for drug violations went from 107 in 1997 to 113 in 1998.

The survey, which included institutions with enrollments of 5,000 or more, places Michigan State University, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, the University of California at Berkeley and the University of Wisconsin at Madison as the four institutions with the highest number of arrests.

Some of the reasons cited for an increase in arrests include legislation passed in Congress in 1998 that requires colleges to disclose this information. Another reason for high numbers is the University's resources. Schools with more efficient police departments might reveal increases in arrests.

Lt. Jerry Minger of the IU Police Department said resources to deal with alcohol-law violations have increased over the years, even though the number of police officers appointed to the campus has decreased.

"Over the years, we've acquired more grant money for PBT's — Portable Breath Test devices, (and) we've

acquired grant money for more patrol," Minger said. "Mothers Against Drunk Driving has supplied us with radar guns."

Minger said the number of arrests cannot be used to establish that alcohol violations have gone up or to determine the cause for the increase in arrests.

IU reported 208 liquor-law arrests in 1998, 156 of which were reported around campus, with 43 cases reported on residential facilities for students.

Some initiatives have taken place around campus to deal with alcohol-related problems. In 1999, President Myles Brand addressed the issue after student Joseph Bisanz died of an alcohol overdose in December 1998.

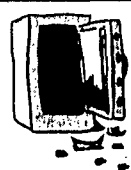
Citing that in 1998, 20 people died for alcohol-related causes on campuses nationwide, he announced a plan to notify parents whenever a student under 21 commits a serious violation or repeated alcohol violations of the University's alcohol policy.

Constance Cook, interim director of Alcohol-Drug Information Services, said part of the problem is that many students are under the impression that other students drink more alcohol than they actually do.

For Lt. Minger, the solution to the alcohol problem around campus lies in prevention.

"Education is what students need, instead of enforcement after they've broken the law," he said.

"They need education before they go that far — from the University, their parents, whatever."



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## MY VIEW

### Child's experience teaches lesson of family love



**KAORI NAGAI**  
DESIGN DIRECTOR

Lately, I have had more of a chance to listen to my friends' family stories and I am recognizing that each person is influenced a lot by their family. I'm also impressed by the deepness of family love.

A couple days ago, one of my friends told me that her brother-in-law has a hompage about his 2-year-old daughter who nearly drowned in a bathtub a year ago and still needs to stay in a hospital. My friend, Shoko Ishimoto, wanted to let her friends know how her niece, Nozomi, is challenging her life and let them pray for Nozomi to get well.

Nozomi currently cannot swallow phlegm by herself. So people around her have to take phlegm off of her throat every 15 minutes. She also cannot breath well by herself. That is why she still needs to stay in a hospital. Her father usually stays with her after work until the next morning and during the day, her mother, grandparents, aunts or uncles take care of her.

I liked the diary part in the homepage most, which is kept by a person who takes care of Nozomi each day. Each person is happy to watch her growing up and encouraged by her.

I think people around her know better about the value of life and health because of her. Nozomi's heart

and brain stopped once and a year later she still lives and smiles.

By reading this diary, I could see how positively people around her think and encourage Nozomi and themselves.

My mom told me that common obstacles which are shared by her and my dad strengthen their relationship.

I imagine Nozomi's condition strengthened the family's love and brought appreciation toward each other; they got more of a chance to recognize that they are supporting each other mentally and physically.

I do really think family love is there unconditionally. I know there are many children who are thrown away on the street or abused by parents because of the lack of their responsibilities. Therefore, I was glad when I saw the homepage because it was full of warmth.

In addition to this story, when I asked Nozomi's father if I can write about her, he said I could if I add Keanu Reeves' picture and say Nozomi's father is him. They are a very warm family.

You can check this homepage at - <http://ww21.tiki.ne.jp/~cocco>. The problem is it is in Japanese.

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## YOUR VIEW

*Would you ever agree to meet someone face-to-face whom you met in an Internet chat room?*



"No. Because you can't trust the general public."

**Mike Hill**  
Maryville resident



"Yes. But only if it were for business purposes."

**Scot Sullins**  
Freshman  
elementary education major



"No. Because it could be potentially dangerous. You never know if they're being honest about themselves and their background."

**Jen Hannigan**  
Maryville resident



"Yes. I'm really lonely."

**Corey Neill**  
Ag business major



"No. Even though you may have a lot in common, you never know who'll show up."

**Chris Marple**  
Vocal music education major

## OUR VIEW

### Phi Sigs need renovation

At Monday's city council meeting, the hot topic of discussion was the proposed expansion of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity house.

The fraternity, seeking to comply with city fire and safety codes, wishes to expand the house toward the empty lot to the east of the current structure. In doing so, they would move occupants out of the attic, the current living space, and into the new section of the house.

Doing this would put a maximum of 24 occupants in the house at a time.

However, residents who live near the house, located at 940 College Avenue, across the street from Rickenbrode Stadium, are opposed to the project. They cited increased traffic, parking problems, noise level and the aesthetic quality of the house as reasons not to renovate.

The Phi Sig canon is an important and well-known part of Maryville tradition, and therefore an important part of Maryville tradition, but no one complains about that noise.

Bill McIntosh, a representative of the Phi Sigma Kappa Alumni Association, said the house could not exist as a fraternity house and obey city codes at the same time in its current state.

We at the Missourian feel that a compromise is necessary and should be made. Like it or not, the University and the city are closely tied together and we should make every effort to live together. Northwest is a very big part of Maryville and Maryville is a big part of Northwest.

Canons and Bearcat pride aside, the Phi Sigs should have the right to improve their facilities for the safety of the occupants. Maryville residents said by adding to the structure, the appearance of a single-family residence would be destroyed, devaluing their property and decreasing the prospects of anyone else buying the property if the fraternity ever leaves.

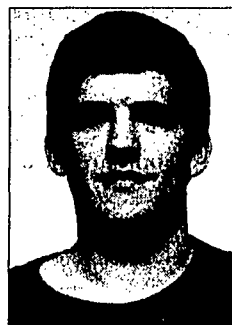
We believe that with careful planning the single-family appearance could be maintained. As for increased traffic, the fraternity has had anywhere between 20 and 34 residents in the house at a time in the past. By limiting the occupancy to 24, there could actually be a decrease in the amount of traffic.

Enforcing the maximum occupancy, however, could prove to be a problem. But this could be overcome with some sort of contract between the city and the fraternity.

The fraternity has made efforts to cooperate with the city in this matter. We believe it is time for the residents to take a more open-minded approach. Take the time to sit down with the fraternity. Get involved in the planning process. Give your input. We are sure there is a solution to this situation that will satisfy everyone involved.

## MY VIEW

### Kansas City Royals entertain, while summer draws closer



**JOHN PETROVIC**  
PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

Summer is great for sports fans everywhere. Baseball is in full swing, the National Hockey League has finished another great season and thankfully the National Basketball Association is almost over.

This summer baseball is full of post-season surprises which are really making it fun to watch. For me it would have to be the play of my favorite team, the Kansas City Royals. I am a huge fan and have followed them since I was a little kid. Truthfully it's not much of a surprise to me that they are doing this well. All you have to do is look at their lineup and see how many great young players they have mixed in with veterans.

Young players such as Mike Sweeney and Jermaine Dye are doing a great job. Speaking of Dye, he could be the first Royal in a long time to be voted into the starting lineup of the all-star game.

One thing you do have to look at with a frown, is their pitching staff. There are few bright spots, but if they could just get a few decent starters I believe they could contend in the play-offs.

Congratulations go out to the New Jersey Devils for winning their second Stanley Cup in six years. When the last game of the finals ended in double overtime, I said to myself, "that was one of the best games I have ever seen." Unfortunately my favorite NHL team, the Detroit Redwings, were unable to beat the hated Colorado Avalanche, but they still had a good season and I cannot wait until next year.

I know that I said before how I was happy the NBA season was almost over, but I can't help myself. The NBA has become boring and is really painstaking to watch. I never watch the regular season and it has to be a non-windy day in Maryville for me to watch the play-offs. I would rather watch a repeat of the Tom Green Show than watch the play-offs. I just can't wait until college basketball season starts up and the University of Missouri Tigers hit the court. With a really good recruiting class coming in, I think Quinn Snyder can do some great things. And for the Jayhawks of the University of Kansas, I laugh at your pitiful attempt of putting together a recruiting class for the upcoming season.

Now to the wonderful world of soccer, yes I did say soccer. Personally I can't play to save my life, but watching it on television and in person at Kansas City Wizards games is really a fun time. The Wizards are the number one team in Major League Soccer and the fun part is no one would have ever thought it before the start of the season. Their goalie Tony Meola recorded his league leading 10th shutout of the season Saturday and continues to lead the 10-1-3 Wizards to the best start ever. I know its also really early to talk about it, but all this soccer has made me start thinking of the Bearcat's upcoming second season. The women were very exciting in their inaugural season and with a great young team coming back they should be even better.

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## MINORS IN BARS TO BE DISCUSSED CORRECTION

Lucky's was incorrectly identified as a bar that has been closed in the past six months in the June, 8 edition of *The Missourian*. The Palms was closed due to the sale of alcohol to minors, not Lucky's. *The Missourian* regrets the error.

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# Chain links to 'Ville

The home of the Whopper is making its own home in Maryville, expected to be serving the burgers in the beginning of August

By ERIN WALLACE  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Work on Maryville's newest restaurant is well under way. Burger King has broken ground and is now taking shape as the expected completion date approaches.

The restaurant is being built in front of the new Walmart Super Center.

Beeton Inc., the owner of the Maryville restaurant, is a parent company of more than seven franchise stores. The company has two branch offices with one in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and one in Kansas City, Mo. The Kansas City branch is the owner and operator of the Maryville Burger King. Maryville was selected as a possible sight for

a franchise restaurant after Beeton was contacted by local realtors. Once Maryville was brought to their attention, the research process of feasibility and profitability began, said Denise Gilbertson, Beeton office manager.

"Everything seems to be right on schedule," Gilbertson said.

An official opening date has not been selected, however Gilbertson said she hopes to open the restaurant in the beginning of August.

Currently applications for management positions are being accepted.

"We are not looking for specific qualifications, we are looking for the right people," Gilbertson said. "Some applicants have bachelor degrees while others have fast food

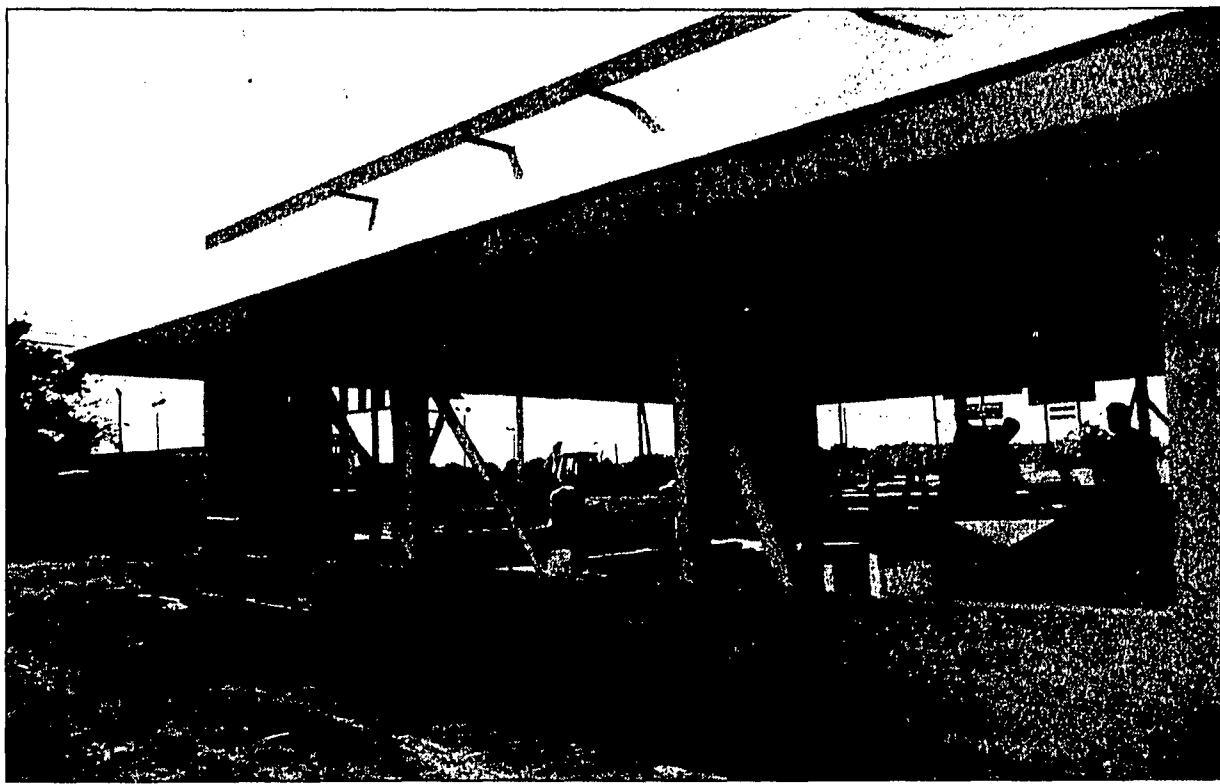
experience, and some are looking for a new career."

Gilbertson went on to say they plan to interview many of the applicants to ensure hiring competent individuals for their management team.

After the management positions are filled the company will begin hiring individuals for all shifts and positions. The new restaurant will require more than 60 employees to operate.

Tech Builders, who are currently building the establishment, are responsible for building all of the restaurants for Beeton.

"We are really pleased with their work," Gilbertson said. "They have built all of our locations and the only company I have worked with."



HEATHER EPPERLY/MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER

Burger King, which will be Maryville's newest restaurant has broken ground and is on its way to being completed in the beginning of August. At this current time, applications for management positions are being accepted by Beeton Inc.

## Long-distance offered for free

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HOUSTON — WowRing.com has announced the launch of its new Web-to-phone portal that will allow Internet users anywhere in the world to make free long-distance phone calls to and within the United States and Canada. The service, which is supported by advertising, is now available to anyone who completes a registration form at [www.wowring.com](http://www.wowring.com).

"Our goal is to establish WowRing.com as the portal of choice for quality Internet voice calls and unattended customer service," said Song Liaw, president/CEO of WowRing.com. "To do this, we are teaming with other well-known network carriers and key technology providers so that we can focus more on our customers and less on the infrastructure used to complete calls."

"We intend to become the benchmark by which all other Web-to-phone services are measured," he said.

WowRing.com's voice calls are completed over ITXC.net, the world's largest Internet telephony network operated by ITXC Corp. AT&T is providing bandwidth through its 24/7 data center and high-capacity fiber optic backbone, which will minimize signal bottlenecks, provide high-level redundancy and preserve quality of service. ITXC.net has established 256 points of presence in more than 149 cities in 60 countries, and serves 10 of the top 12 facilities-based U.S. international carriers.

"By employing ITXC's BestValue Routing technology, WowRing.com users will avoid Internet congestion points and extra router hops that often degrade the quality of Internet phone calls processed by other Web-to-phone services," Liaw said.

Liaw notes that few Web-to-phone service providers are concentrating their efforts on the relatively untapped markets in Latin America and particularly Asia, a region in which Internet telephone voice traffic accounts for less than 5 percent of all long-distance calls.

But a recent study by International Data Corporation shows that "voice-over-IP" (VoIP) traffic is nearly tripling on an annual basis, compared to 12 percent to 16 percent yearly increases in traffic over conventional phone networks.

"For example, about 40 percent of this new VoIP traffic represents calls originating in Asia and terminating in North America and Europe," Liaw said, citing the IDC study. "Obviously, this represents a huge opportunity for our company, especially since we already have well established business connections in the Far East."

After a user registers at the WowRing.com site, a keypad will appear on the screen. Callers enter the telephone number simply by clicking on the numbers on the keypad or by entering the number directly from their keyboard. Each time a registered user visits WowRing.com to make a call, the site automatically checks the user's system for the latest version of the keypad. If a new one is available, it is downloaded automatically.

## Stock broker offers tips for easy investing

The Dow Jones Industrial Average has turned in five straight years of double-digit returns, and many of the broader market indices have been setting records, as well. So, investment is there for the taking, right?

Actually, it's not quite that simple.

All of the attention paid to the skyrocketing Dow tends to obscure the fact that a great many stocks have actually declined over the past few years. And these aren't just wildly speculative companies. In 1999, for example, the list of companies whose stocks were down included names such as Coca-Cola, Gillette, Xerox and Pfizer.

The fact is that nobody — not even so-called "market experts" — can consistently and accurately predict the stock market's winners and losers. That's why the really

smart investors have thrown away their crystal balls. Instead, they've succeeded by following these basic investment guidelines:

Base your portfolio on a clear set of investment objectives — It's hard to achieve investment success by simply throwing together a collection of stocks, bonds and mutual funds. Before you build your portfolio, ask yourself these questions: What are your long-term goals? What's your tolerance for risk? How long do you plan on investing? Once you have the answers, you'll be able to create a portfolio designed to meet your individual needs.

Diversify — Diversification may be the oldest, and wisest, rule in investing. The more diversified you are, the more you will cushion yourself against losses affecting just one type of investment. Plus, by having your investment dollars in many

different categories, you'll be able to take advantage of multiple growth opportunities.

Avoid big risks — As a general rule, the greater the risk incurred by a specific investment, the greater the potential reward. The trick is to find investments whose risk level is appropriate for you. In evaluating the risk, take a long-term perspective. Historically, high-quality securities have rebounded after severe market losses, while low-quality securities sometimes never do.

Also decide how much risk you are willing to accept. It's not at all unusual for the stock market to drop 10 percent in any given year. If your \$1,000 investment temporarily drops to \$900, you won't like it — but you can probably overcome it. However, if you lose half your money on an investment, then that investment will have to double

in price to break even. That could happen, but it is a lot to hope for.

Don't "over-adjust" your portfolio — It's a good idea to periodically re-evaluate your investment portfolio to make sure it's still aligned with your needs and goals, both of which can change over time. But you'll need to avoid the temptation to over-adjust your portfolio. Constantly buying and selling securities may eventually result in significant taxes and fees, which means you'll have less to invest and your money will grow more slowly.

Of course, there are other general investment guidelines out there. But if you can follow the basic ones listed here, you're well on your way toward becoming a successful investor.

This column was provided by the Maryville offices of Edward Jones, John Yancy and Janice Padgett, [www.edwardjones.com](http://www.edwardjones.com)

## Chamber gearing up for this summer's events

By ERIN WALLACE  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Maryville Chamber of Commerce is preparing for an event-filled summer.

One of the largest events of the summer is the Fireworks Extravaganza co-hosted by KNIM radio station and the city of Maryville.

The event is set for July 4, with the show beginning at nightfall. The fireworks are to be launched off of the dam at Mozingo Lake.

"As people enter the park we will have individuals handing out maps for parking and best seating," City Manager David Angerer said. "The best seats are out on the lake in a

boat with the fireworks being launched in front of you."

A professional team of pyrotechnic specialists will design and create the show. The professional group is from Illinois and has created the show the last several years. The event is open and free to the public.

Currently in the works is Chamber Appreciation Night. This event is designed to thank the business members of the Maryville Chamber of Commerce as well as their employees and families. The event will be conducted at Beal Park with exclusive privileges to the pool, sand volleyball courts, baseball and soft-

ball diamonds. A picnic meal will also be conducted throughout the evening.

Maryville Sidewalk Sale Day will take place July 29th. The goal of the event is to promote local shopping. All Maryville merchants are encouraged to participate by having special sales as well as placing merchandise outside to attract customers.

The summer will be capped off with the 5th Annual Maryville Chamber of Commerce Car Show. The car show will be September 10 at Beal Park. There are 23 different categories featuring classic and antique cars. This year the show has

expanded to include classic tractors as well as pulling tractors.

Curtis Lawson, car show chairman said, the new categories will help break the 100-entry mark this year.

"We have hovered right at 96 the past two years and are hoping to see 100 entries this year," Lawson said.

There will also be an Ugly Truck Category.

"This is a fun category where the only rule is the truck must be licensed," Lawson said.

To register for the event call the Maryville Chamber of Commerce at 582-8643.

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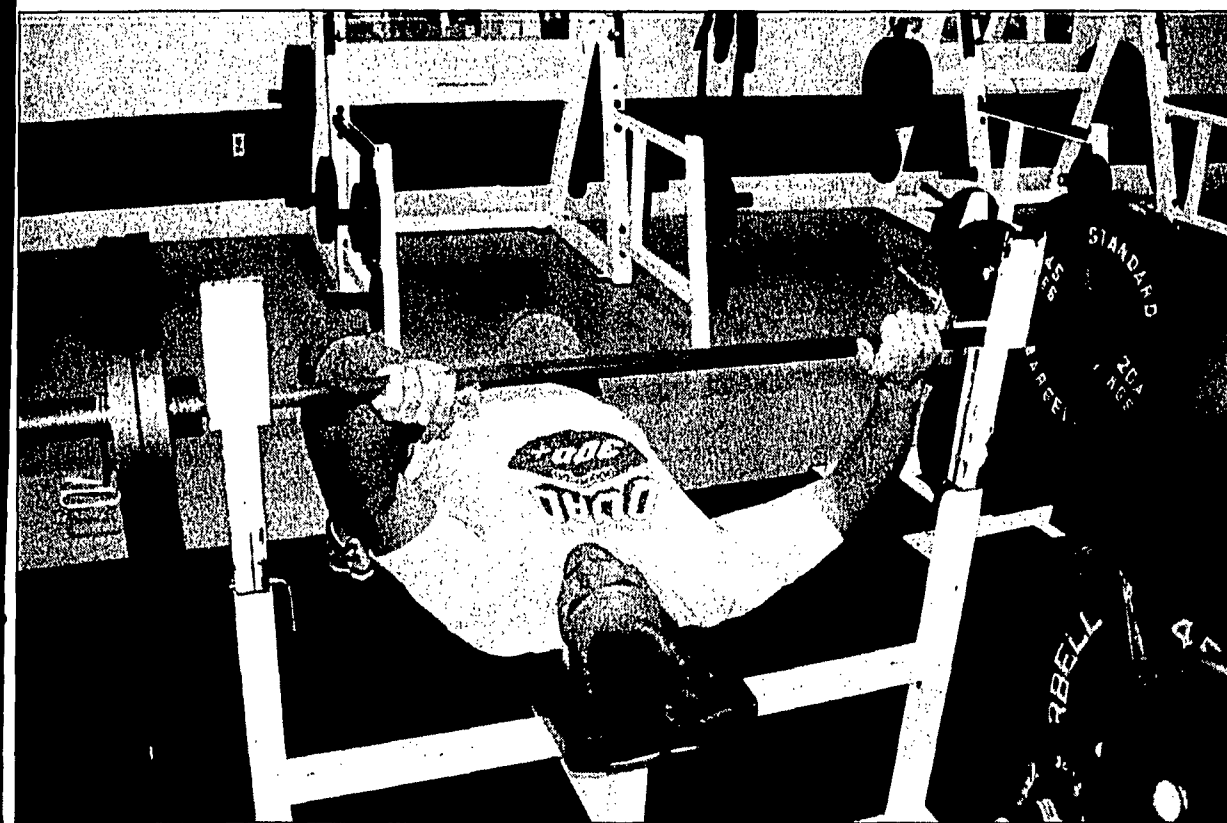
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Summer training for senior tight end Mark Maus is in full swing as he works out on the bench press in the team weightroom Monday. "We are to a point now that our motivation is playing time," football head coach Mel Tjeersdema said.

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## Training for fall seasons

By JILL ROBINSON  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Great athletes do not evolve in front of the eyes of a roaring crowd, but rather in silent gyms, sweltering weight rooms and lonely roads. For Northwest athletes participating in the upcoming fall season, the training has already started.

The next three months are critical for success during the fall season and results do not come overnight, Megan Carlson a senior cross country runner said.

"Summer training is really important," Carlson said. "You can't just show up in August and do well in the season with one month of training. It requires a base to start with."

Building endurance and mileage is the focus for Northwest's cross country teams. A strong base can

help reduce injuries in the season.

Cross country athletes are not the only ones lacing up their running shoes. Volleyball head coach Sarah Pelster plans a timed two-mile run for the first day of practice. Team members will continue to run the challenge throughout the week until everyone makes the time.

Running is only part of the preparation. The clanging of weights and the beat of a stereo echo off the walls of the weight room in Martindale gymnasium.

Programs prepared by strength coach Jon Gustafson have student athletes on specific lifting schedules. Members of the football team are expected to lift four days a week. Finding motivation to train is key, and athletes know that making the starting line-up requires sacrifice.

"We are to a point now that our

motivation is playing time," football head coach Mel Tjeersdema said. "To have a chance, athletes know they have to come back in great shape."

Coaches prepare by recruiting, scheduling and scouting for the first match ups. Training programs are sent out to their athletes, trusting they will do their part.

"Coaches can tell athletes they'll be better performers if they work in the summer," cross country head coach Richard Alsop said. "The key is not what I do, the key is self-motivation and what they think is important."

Pain can also be a factor. Athletes report to practice in August ready for their two-a-day workouts.

"An athlete knows they will be hurting if they aren't in shape, and that's a big motivator," Pelster said.

## Bearcat camp offers youth experience

Northwest basketball, tennis players help develop skills

By JILL ROBINSON  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Aspiring young athletes had a chance to polish their skills this week at Northwest's basketball and tennis summer camps.

Bearcat women's basketball head coach Gene Steinmeyer played host to the first of what will be eight camps Monday. The three-day skills camp focused on fundamentals of the game.

Girls ranging from fourth to ninth grade worked on their shooting, ball handling and rebounding skills, as well as highlighting the mechanics of offense and defense.

Players sometimes cringe when they hear the word "fundamental" in a camp, Steinmeyer said.

However, the coaching staff worked to make the camp a fun, learning experience by implementing contests and games into the schedule.

Each day of camp lasted from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Campers started off with stretching and stories from Northwest players.

A variety of drills and contests followed with 10-minute breaks scattered throughout the day. The last hour was designated as a game session where the girls could practice what they had learned.

Thirty-four girls attended, and most participants traveled to Maryville from surrounding areas. These players, as well as coaches, found the camp to be rewarding.

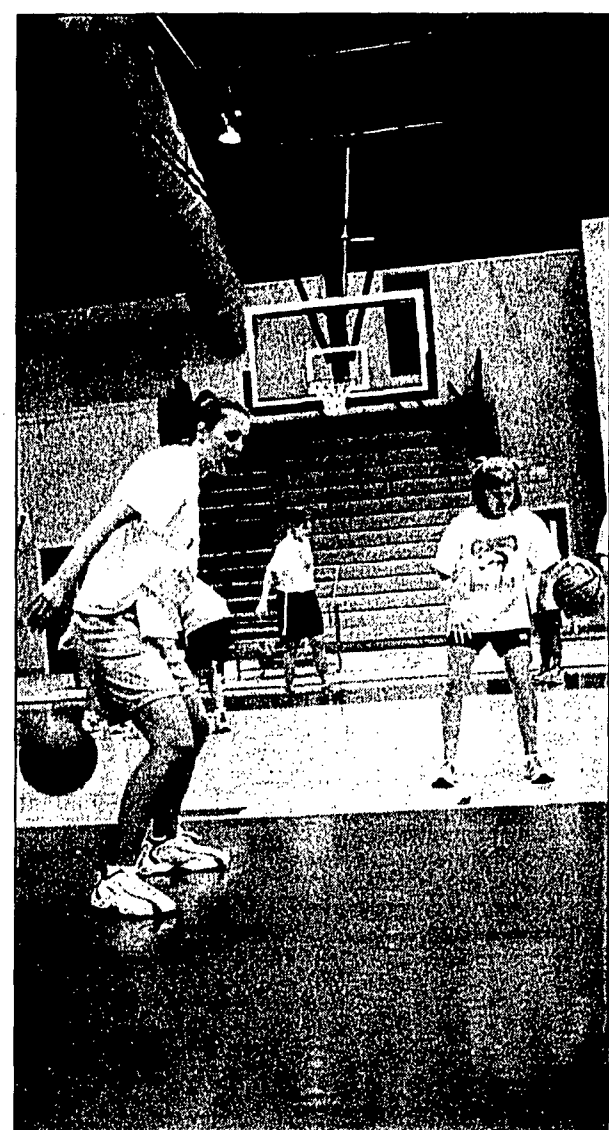
"I enjoy the eagerness of the younger ones," Steinmeyer said. "They are excited to learn."

Basketball was not the only sport offering a camp to enthusiastic athletes. Northwest's tennis program also shared its knowledge of the game with 10 young athletes this week.

Tennis head coach Mark Rosewell played host to the second of four overnight camps to athletes ages 10 to 18. Having checked in Sunday, boys and girls got a chance to stay in the residence halls, as well as perfect their tennis skills during their stay.

Covering the basic fundamentals, campers worked on their forehands, backhands, serves and volleys from 9 a.m. to noon, returning for the second half from 2 to 5 p.m.

The last day of camp was spent playing matches, complete with an awards assembly, which is one of



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Former Northwest basketball player Jamie Long explains a dribbling drill to the girls at basketball camp Monday in Bearcat Arena. Girls ranging from fourth to ninth grade participated in the camp while working on their shooting, ball handling and rebounding skills.

Rosewell's favorite parts of the camp.

"At the end we have an award assembly for the campers, and there's a good feeling of accomplishment," he said.

Many campers came from the Kansas City area, to take part in the activities and lessons.

Occasionally, talent can be found in these summer sessions, Rosewell said. In the last three years, three players have been added to the roster as a result.

Both Steinmeyer and Rosewell are preparing for the next group of young hopefuls later this summer. The two Northwest teams are eager to share knowledge of their sport with an enthusiastic audience that is ready to listen.

## Spoofhound golfer earns first place at state competition for first time

By BURTON TAYLOR  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

A lot of factors play a role in the making of a state champion.

This year, the Spoofhounds watched not only its golf team win at the state level but a player take the championship as top medalist.

Junior Matt VanCleave began playing golf about seven years ago and today, after countless local tournament wins, victories with the Spoofhound golf team, and hurdles he has jumped personally, he finally achieved his main objective — becoming state champion.

He has been eyeing the chance to hold the title since he began playing for the high school and after two previous attempts he finally found the victory in his clutches.

One particular previous tournament helped him in his run for the state title. VanCleave was on the 18th hole of a local match with a three shot lead. Next thing he knew he had shot an eight on the hole,

finishing in second place, one stroke behind the new leader.

"At that time it was an extremely hard lesson to learn but at state that was the first thing to come to mind when I would lose a stroke," he said.

That lesson and others learned playing with his father, Mzingo Lake Golf Course club professionals, coach Pat Turner and his peers have all helped him achieve the goal he set almost seven years ago.

And, because of the time spent learning and playing with others, his victory at the state level was not one he can take sole credit for. He said there have been many people who have helped him become the golfer walking off the 18th green of the state tournament.

"They have all gone out of their way for me and I've always had someone to go to for help," he said.

An aspect of the victory that made it all the more special for VanCleave was that his grandfather Joe Merrick started the 'Hound golf

team more than 30 years ago.

Matt's father John VanCleave has watched his son develop as a golfer from the time the two first walked Mzingo Lake Golf Course.

"My dad started me out in the game and gave me all the basic fundamentals of the game," he said.

Now that his son has a new goal to play golf for a Division I school, John said his son has made great strides since he first started.

"We started him when he was little, but at the time he spent most of his time playing baseball and then started taking golf a little more seriously," John said. "Then he started playing some little tournaments around Maryville and started winning and once he made the commitment to golf he gave 100 percent."

Rick Schultz, Mzingo club professional, has also watched the beginning golfer turn into a state champion and said one thing that sticks out about Matt is his ability

to weather immense pressure.

"You can be a good ball striker but to score when it counts that's what's important and that's what he does," Schultz said.

A legacy may have been started with this year's golf team. Being the first team from Maryville to win a state title and VanCleave the first 'Hound to claim the rank of state champion sets the stage for more victories to come, Schultz said.

The 'Hound golf team has four players returning from state competition next year, including VanCleave, and younger players expected to come out of junior high.

Schultz said it is a goal of his to make sure that young people interested in playing the game have a means of doing so.

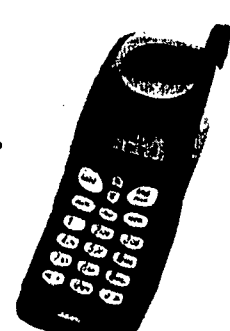
"When we see kids that are interested we try and get them to play and work here," Schultz said. "A lot of free lessons were given to me (when I started) and so we are just passing that along."



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Junior Nick Thompson (from left), Sophomores Trent Twaddle and Brian Prokes, Junior Matt VanCleave and Senior Jesmin Ehlers of the Spoofhound golf team lie on a green at the state tournament, which it was victorious at for the first time in Maryville history. The team took first place and Junior Matt VanCleave was named state champion at the two-day event.

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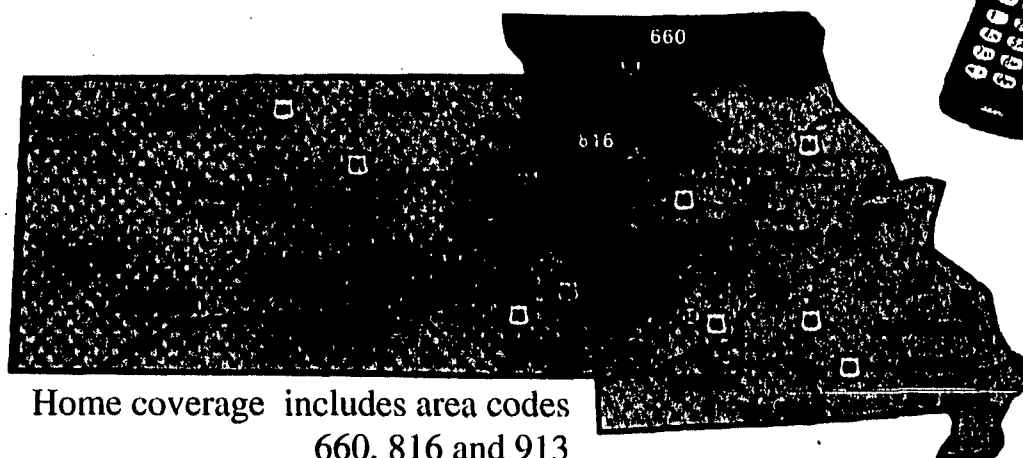
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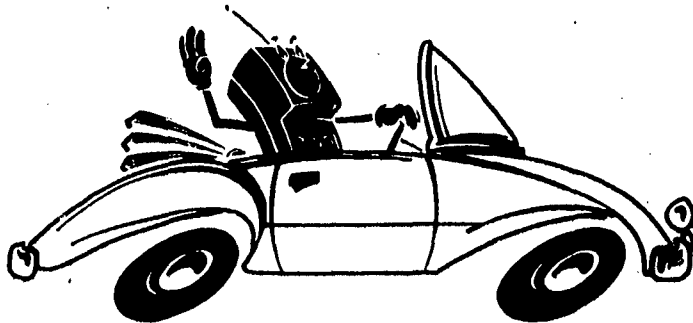
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## Your Man annoyed by slackers

Your Man is on a mission. He pledges to unravel a mysterious phenomenon that has plagued this University for quite some time now. Your Man's salary and pride will wisely be spent this summer for you. You should no longer live in fear of going to class or work knowing that Your Man has beat the streets pinpointing that which has slowly damaged the University — University employees.

You know which ones I mean, don't deny it, even if you are one of those workers with sweaty palms now that the truth is being spoken.

Now before you start pouting and discussing this for 45 minutes while you should be working, let me elaborate and clarify just where Your Man is going with this. What does slacker mean? The University employee that constantly checks their E-mail for personal reasons, that shops on e-bay or plans their two-week vacation all while "on the clock."

But worst yet, I'm talking about those in the administration and that teach your class that are working at Northwest not for the impact that it has on the students, but for a guaranteed paycheck. I'm talking about those in the upper administration that publicly say they are for student issues and then



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don't do squat about it except pat each other on the back and say "Good job Bob," or "How's the butt-kissing going today Betty?" If you can't put your heart, soul and all into your job, that we students are paying for, Your Man has two words for you; get out! If Your Man wasn't such a nice anonymous writer, he would be naming names, but he's going to let the students and workers mull this over for a while.

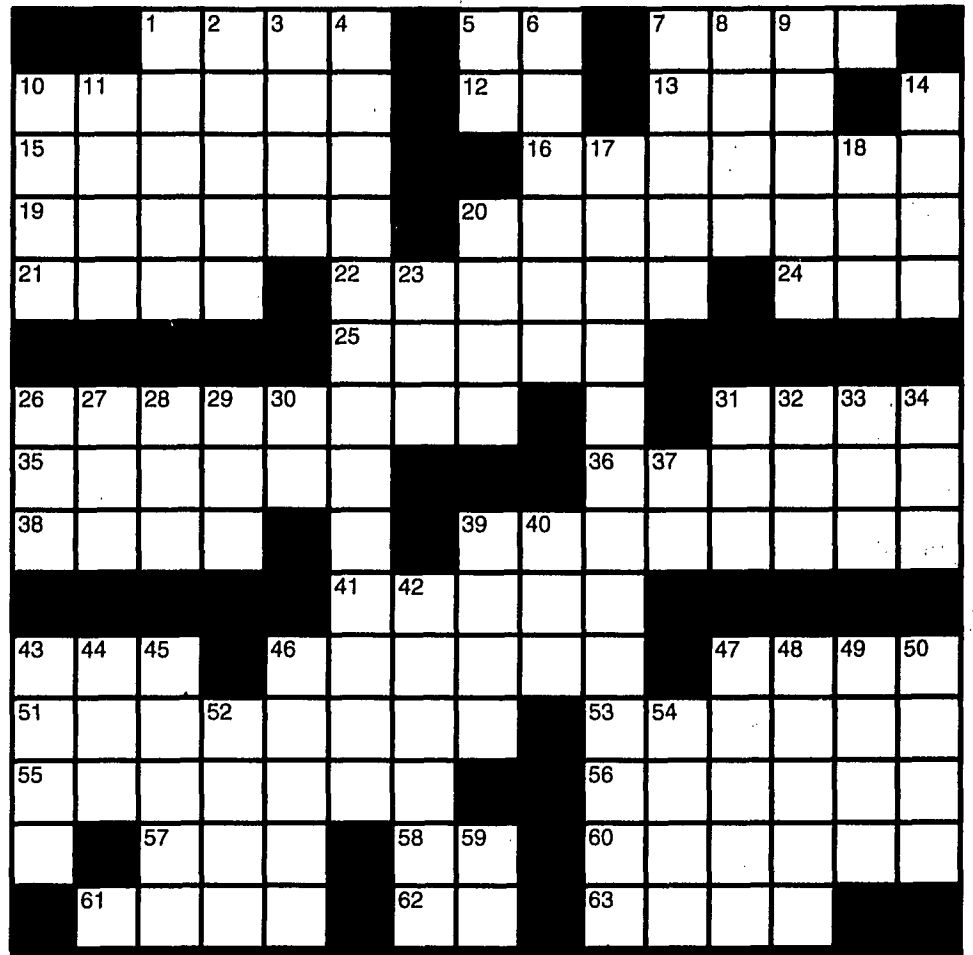
Your Man believes in being fair though, and hates to be negative, so here are some workers that deserve recognition beyond anything this University has to offer. The custodians, janitors and other people you look down at your feet while walking by have work ethic matched by none in the upper administration. You don't

see them flying on Bearcat One, taking Friday's off because the weather is perfect for golf or sitting in nice air conditioned offices for the eight hours they call work. They are the backbone of this University and should not be ignored folks. The next time you walk by one of these employees, say "hi," "thanks" or "wazzzzuuup!" Many student employees have the same heart as these folks, because they believe in what they're doing, and they get paid less than what they're worth. The Registrar's Office, Residential Life, Alumni House, Campus Dining, Career Services and probably every single secretary/ office assistant are the visible areas that work their bones to death for the University... did you notice which ones weren't mentioned? Maybe I'm not that nice after all.

So, until the Missouri Twin actually stays open for more than one movie a week and then closes until the next anticipated movie comes out, Your Man has a nap to take. Oh, and before you go back to work after spending an hour reading this paper, you might wipe the drool off the sides of your mouth and take your feet off the desk.

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## WEEKLY CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

1. To have and to
5. State next to Illinois
7. Satisfy
10. An intense fear
12. In the direction of
13. What did you say?
15. A quantity to which another quantity is added
16. Ornamental blooming plants
19. Participated in a game
20. Caused blackouts in WWII
21. Without
22. Afar
24. Fish eggs
25. Moons (fr.)
26. Excess
31. Fencing foil
35. to the coral
36. Shades of yellows
38. October birthstone
39. Forms of math
41. Where to meet the Robert E. Lee

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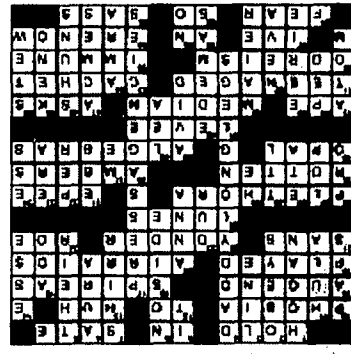
43. Mimic
46. Strip down the highway
47. Questions
51. Under twenty
53. A seal on a document
55. State of being a monster
56. Exempt
57. Contraction
58. Only one
60. Before the present
61. A state of alarm
62. what!
63. Talk back
1. Indian house
2. Carries out an order
3. Drop me a
4. Movie with Astaire and Canon
5. Addams family cousin
6. Not favoring one term or another
7. Gather in sewing
8. A soft breeze

### ACROSS

9. A possessive pronoun
10. Soft foods
11. Hawaiian dance
14. Being
17. Places to get the good word out
18. "Much" About
20. Friend of Siamese King
23. Possessive pronoun
26. For
27. Cut off
28. Abbrev. at airport
29. Abbrev. entire
30. That man again!
31. A kind of tide
32. Each
33. A laundry detergent
34. Phonetic letter of alphabet
39. Enthusiastic
40. Meadow
42. Diseases of water retention
43. Boy cat

### DOWN

44. Place to hang a coat
45. Weird
46. Golde
47. Peaks
48. Avoids
49. Boardwalk game
50. Ollo
52. Russian River
54. The God of Egypt said, "I
59. Negative



## Weekend Weather

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Partly Cloudy	Isolated T-storms	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
high 79° F low 59° F	high 77° F low 55° F	high 75° F low 53° F	high 76° F low 56° F

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